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FOUR NEW DEGREE PROGRAMS APPROVED FOR KWANTLEN

VANCOUVER – Students opting for Kwantlen University College, soon to be Kwantlen Polytechnic University, will have four new bachelor's degree programs to choose from, Advanced Education Minister Murray Coell announced today.

Coell has approved two bachelor of arts degrees with majors in English and history, and two bachelor of arts with minors in anthropology and geography. These will provide greater choices for students by expanding access to undergraduate degrees in the South Fraser region.

"British Columbians in all regions of the province want access to university degree programs," said Coell. "These new degrees will help prepare students for a wide range of careers, such as social work, public administration, law enforcement, social policy analysis, urban and regional planning, environmental remediation, and teaching."

The new programs are expected to accept their first students this fall. Kwantlen offers more than 135 programs leading to bachelor's degrees, associate degrees, diplomas and certificates.

"These new degrees are a further expression of Kwantlen becoming a university and confirm Kwantlen's commitment to providing students with an outstanding undergraduate education that puts the learner first," said David Atkinson, Kwantlen's new president.

Since 2001, the Ministry of Advanced Education has approved more than 160 new undergraduate and graduate degree programs, including 13 other bachelor's degrees at Kwantlen. The new degrees are helping B.C. improve its competitiveness and productivity through education and skills training.

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